IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.3416 OF 2004

Suresh Mahadeo Thakur ..Petitioner.

Vs.

The Commissioner of Police & Ors. ..Respondents.

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Mr. Rahul S. Thakur for the Petitioner.

Mrs. M.P. Thakur, Assistant Government Pleader for Respondent Nos.1 and 3.

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CORAM:KSHITIJ R. VYAS, C.J. &
DR.D.Y.CHANDRACHUD, J.

27th March, 2006**.**

P.C. :

1. The Petitioner having failed to obtain additional arms licence from the licensing authority as well as the Appellate Authority has approached this Court by way of this Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. The learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner submitted that as the licensing authority has not assigned any reasons the said authority be directed to rehear the Petitioner and to pass appropriate reasoned order.

2. Perused the order annexed at Exh. A passed by the licensing

authority. The licensing authority has only stated that reason for grant of Arms Licence lacks merit. This, in our opinion, is no reason to reject the case of the Petitioner. We, therefore, accede to the request made by the learned counsel. We dispose of this Petition by giving the following directions :

The Petitioner shall make a fresh application including the details about an additional arms licence within two weeks from today. On receipt of the said application, the licencing authority shall consider the same and pass appropriate reasoned order and shall communicate its decision to the Petitioner within four weeks thereafter.

With the above directions, the Petition stands disposed of.

CHIEF JUSTICE

DR.D.Y.CHANDRACHUD,J.